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1. ON 28 OCTOBER 1963 TRAN QUOC BUU STATED TO A CAS OFFICER THAT THE CVTC AND THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AS A WHOLE WOULD WILLINGLY SUPPORT A MILITARY GOVERNMENT BROUGHT ABOUT BY FORCE OF ARMS. THEY WOULD SUPPORT AN EVEN TOUGHER GOVERNMENT THAN THE PRESENT REGIME, AS LONG AS IT PROVED ITSELF HONEST AND CAPABLE OF PURSUING A SOUND POLICY. THE VARIOUS OPPOSITION GROUPS WOULD ACCEPT SUCH A GOVERNMENT ALSO, PARTICULARLY SINCE SUCH GROUPS LACKED ORGANIZATION AND NUMBERS. THE CVTC WOULD NOT ASK FOR REPRESENTATION IN THE GOVERNMENT BUT WOULD CARRY WEIGHT NONETHELESS, SINCE IT WAS THE ONLY INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF THE BUDDHIST GROUPS, WHICH HAD A LARGE AND DISCIPLINED MEMBERSHIP.

2. BUU ADDED THAT THE KEY TO ANY CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT AT THIS TIME IS THE MILITARY. PROBABLY NOTHING WILL HAPPEN UNTIL THE MILITARY ACTS; THEN ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION WILL IMMEDIATELY RALLY TO THE CAUSE, AND THE PRESENT REGIME WOULD FALL IN SHORT ORDER.

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